Please find below, Utah State Parks news for November 10:

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BOATING SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK

Salt Lake City – Though water temperatures are dropping at Utah's lakes and reservoirs statewide, there are still great boating opportunities in southern Utah.

Sand Hollow and Quail Creek state parks in Hurricane offer year-round boating. These two parks provide great winter boating opportunities with a mild winter climate. Sand Hollow State Park offers blue waters and red sandstone landscapes, while Quail Creek State Park boasts a red rock desert setting and great fishing.

"These two parks are an easy five-hour drive from the Salt Lake Valley and provide excellent opportunities to extend the boating season on Utah's warmer waters," commented Utah State Parks Assistant Boating Program Manager Chris Haller.

Haller reminds all boaters to follow these safety tips:

Always wear a life jacket!

File a float plan; inform someone of where you are going and when you will return. Dress for changing weather conditions and layer your clothing. Keep a ladder on board in case someone falls overboard.

Never boat alone!

For more information or to take a boating safety course, please visit stateparks.utah.gov or call (801) 538-BOAT. Wear it Utah!

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT FRONTIER HOMESTEAD STATE PARK MUSEUM

Cedar City – Frontier Homestead State Park Museum is seeking volunteers who are interested in learning exciting and challenging hands-on activities and demonstrating these skills to park visitors. If you have the desire to present the

many aspects of Western history, please become a volunteer and part of the living history experience.

Museum volunteers receive access to area history tours, invitations to special events and a 20% discount in the museum store.

Frontier Homestead State Park Museum is located at 635 North Main in Cedar City and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, please contact the museum at (435) 586-9290.

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UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

November 28 Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum - Fillmore Holiday Light Event: Enjoy the annual holiday lighting ceremony at 6 p.m., which includes singing, holiday treats and fun. (435) 743-5316

November 28 Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante Backcountry Hike: Join the park naturalist and learn about the early history of Bailey's Wash. Watch for wildlife and view ancient rock art on this hike, which is approximately five miles round-trip and covers some steep and rocky terrain. Participants must have a personal vehicle to reach the trailhead. Meet at the visitor center at 11 a.m. Bring a lunch, water and warm clothing. (435) 628-2255

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